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Testing Target Components Using a Near-Term Heavy Ion Driver¹ D. A. CALLAHAN, M. TABAK, B. G. LOGAN, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory — Many aspects of the traditional two radiator heavy ion target² can be tested using lasers such as Nova or the National Ignition Facility (NIF). Experiments using ion beams can compliment this work giving information on ion range shortening and hydrodynamic motion of the converter material. Hydrodynamic motion of the converter material has proven to be an important issue in the traditional two radiator heavy ion target. Ion range shortening is an important issue for the new distributed radiator target³. We will present 2-d Lasnex calculations which show that $\sim 1 \text{ kJ}$ of beam energy can heat a small amount of material to temperatures relevant for heavy ion target physics ($\approx 250 \text{ eV}$).

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